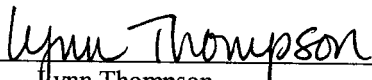


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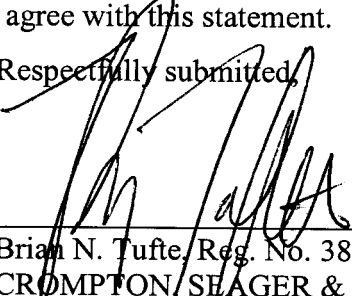
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The Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanying the Notice of Allowance mailed on January 21, 2009 does not appear to be very concise or comprehensive as it relates to all of the allowed claims. As such, Applicants believe that the Examiner did not intend to provide a complete and thorough analysis of why each and every allowed claim was found to be patentable over the cited art. The Examiner did state that claims 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15, 22, 26-37 and 64-84 are allowable over the prior art. Thus, the Examiner must have concluded that the claims as allowed are patentable over the prior art, and not necessarily for the reasons summarized in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. Applicant respectfully request clarification if the Examiner does not agree with this statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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